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In re: Patent application of : Group Art Unit:
Scott W. Huffer, *et al.* : 1772
Serial No.: 09/778,334 : Examiner:
: Sandra M. Nolan
Filed: February 7, 2001 :
: Attorney Docket No.:
For: PACKAGING MATERIAL, METHOD OF MAKING : 9325-36 (148068)
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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, the Applicants attach hereto a completed PTO Form 1449 (modified). This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the submission of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114, but before the mailing of any subsequent office action. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due for this statement. However, authorization is provided to charge any fee deemed to be applicable to this filing, or to credit any over-payment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

The references identified on the accompanying form 1449 may be considered relevant to the subject matter of the present application. A form 1449 citing U.S. Pat. No. 6,528,127 to Edlein *et al.* was submitted to the Patent Office for this application by facsimile on September 25, 2003.

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A document submitted herewith, which is entitled "Bottle Wrap Structures and Costs", shows a bottle wrap structure formed from an oriented polypropylene substrate that is surface printed and coated with an electron beam ("EB") cured coating over the printing. This structure may have been proposed by another at least as early as February 14, 1997.

A document submitted herewith, which is also entitled "Bottle Wrap Structures and Costs", shows a similar bottle wrap and provides a schematic representation of such. The structure shown therein may have been proposed by another at least as early as April 6, 1998.

A document submitted herewith, which is entitled "Bottle Wrap Back Up Math", shows cost savings associated with raw materials for a bottle wrap. The cost savings may have been proposed by another at least as early as June 16, 1998.


A document submitted herewith, which is entitled "Huntsman Packaging", shows a structure for a rice bag having the structure EB coat / print / LLDPE. The structure may have been proposed by another at least as early as October 1, 1996.

It is requested that the Examiner review the references identified above and on the accompanying form 1449 and make them of record as required by M.P.E.P. § 609. It is further requested that the Examiner initial the enclosed duplicate substitute Form 1449, and return one copy to the Applicants' undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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